

### REMARKS

We are in receipt in of the Office Action dated, April 20, 2004, in the above amendment and following remarks are made in light thereof.

Claims 1-21 are pending in the application. Pursuant to the Office Action, Claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 15 and 16 are allowed, which Applicant gratefully acknowledges. Claims 3, 7, 10, 14, 17 and 21 are rejected under 35 USC §103 as being upatentable over Grushin et al. 6,670,645. Claims 4-6, 11-13 an 18-20 are rejected under 35 USC §103 as upatentable over Grushin et al. in view of Hsieh et al. 5,558,904.

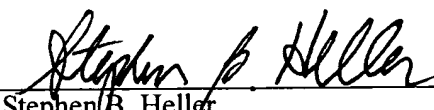
By the foregoing amendment, each of Claims 3-7 have been amended to delete the limitation that, alternatively, the hole transporting layer contains "a compound comprising transition metal," thus, reciting only bromine or iodine. Grushin et al. does not teach or suggest a hole transporting layer containing a molecule comprising bromine or iodine. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the amended claims are patentably distinct over the cited art.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance, and an early office action in this regard is earnestly solicited.

If any fee is due for this amendment, please charge our deposition account 50/1039.

Respectfully submitted,

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